

INTEL® VTUNE™ AMPLIFIER'S APPLICATION PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT: PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW AT SCALE

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ASPECTS OF HPC/THROUGHPUT APPLICATION PERFORMANCE

Intel Hardware Features

Omni-Path
Architecture

Distributed memory

Message size
Rank placement
Rank Imbalance
RTL Overhead
Pt2Pt -> collective Ops
Network Bandwidth

MCDRAM

Memory

False Sharing
Latency
Bandwidth
NUMA

3D XPoint™

I/O

File I/O
I/O latency
I/O waits
System-wide I/O

Many-core
Xeon Phi™
Multi-core
Xeon™

Threading

Threaded/serial ratio
Thread Imbalance
RTL overhead
(scheduling, forking)
Synchronization

AVX-512

CPU Core

uArch issues (IPC)
FPU usage efficiency
Vectorization

Cluster

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INTEL TOOLS COVERING THE ASPECTS

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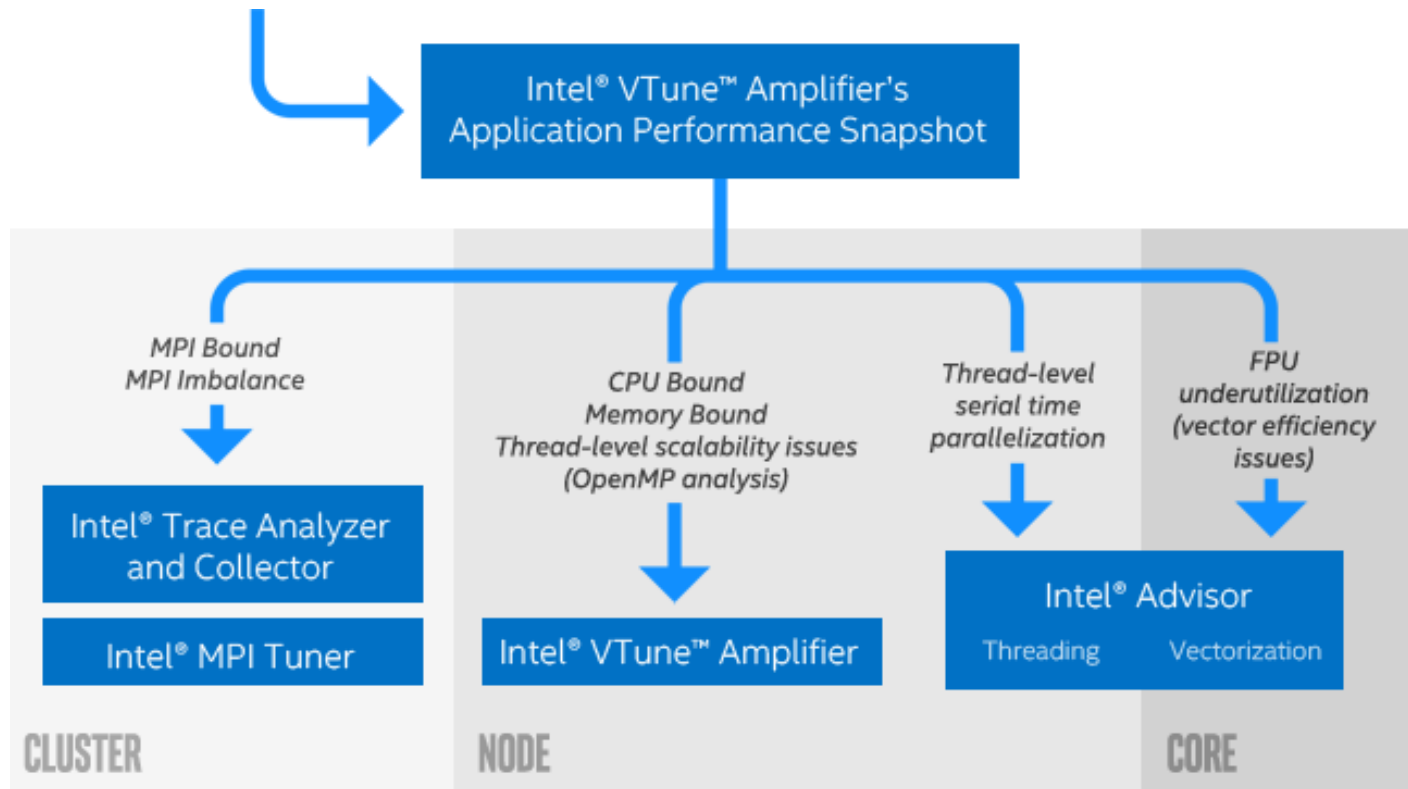
Intel® VTune™ Amplifier

BEFORE DIVING INTO A PARTICULAR TOOL ...

- How to assess that I have **potential in performance** tuning?
- **Which tool** should I use first?
- What to use on **large scale** avoiding being overwhelmed with huge trace size, post processing time and collection overhead?
- How to **quickly** evaluate environment settings or incremental code changes?
- **Answer:**

Use VTune Amplifier's Application Performance Snapshot 2018

PERFORMANCE OPTIMIZATION WORKFLOW BASED ON APS



APPLICATION PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT AT A GLANCE (1/2)

- High-level **overview** of application performance
 - Detailed reports on MPI statistics
- Primary optimization areas and **next steps** in analysis with deep tools
- **Easy** to install, run, explore results with CL or HTML reports
 - No driver installation required working through perf
 - If SEP driver is available - will be additional advantage
- Multiple methods to obtain
 - Part of Intel® Parallel Studio XE, VTune Amplifier standalone
 - Separate **free** download (110Mb) from APS web page
 - <https://software.intel.com/sites/products/snapshots/application-snapshot/>

APPLICATION PERFORMANCE SNAPSHOT AT A GLANCE (2/2)

- **Low** collection overhead – 5-10%
 - HW counters – counting mode only, no overtime
 - MPI and OpenMP tracing - trace aggregation in runtime, no overtime
 - Trace levels to collect more MPI details (potentially for the cost of overhead)
 - Ability to choose either tracing or HW counting in the case of interest in particular metric subset and avoid overhead (--collection-mode option)
- **Scales** to large jobs
 - Tested and worked on 32K ranks
 - Trace size on default statistics level – 4Kb per rank

APS WORKFLOW

Setup Environment

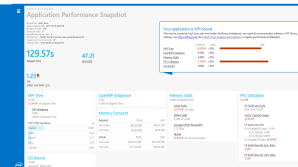
- `>source <APS_Install_dir>/apsvars.sh`

Run Application

- `>aps <application and args>`
- MPI: `>mpirun <mpi options> aps <application and args>`

Generate Report on Result Folder

- `>aps -report <result folder>`

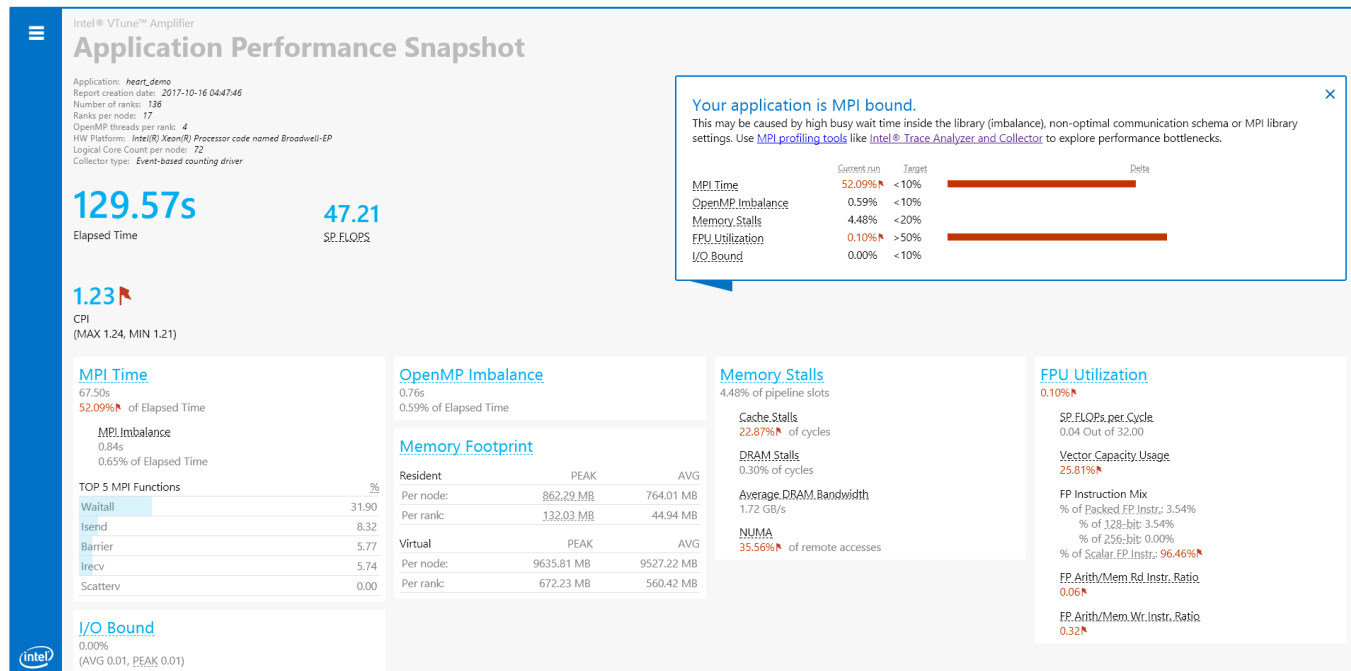


Generate CL reports with detailed MPI statistics on Result Folder

- `aps-report -<option> <result folder>`

| Rank | Rank | Volume(MB) | Volume(s) | Throughput |
|-----------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| 0000 -> 0009 | 0000 -> 0009 | 84.35 | 1.54 | 11477 |
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| 0000 -> 0009 | 0000 -> 0009 | 84.35 | 1.54 | 11477 |
| [Full report on 16 lanes] | | | | |
| 0000 -> 0011 | 0000 -> 0011 | 69.40 | 1.29 | 11477 |
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| 0000 -> 0011 | 0000 -> 0011 | 69.40 | 1.29 | 11477 |
| [Full report on 27 lanes] | | | | |
| 0000 -> 0015 | 0000 -> 0015 | 55.81 | 1.00 | 11477 |
| 0000 -> 0015 | 0000 -> 0015 | 55.81 | 1.00 | 11477 |
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| 0000 -> 0015 | 0000 -> 0015 | 55.81 | 1.00 | 11477 |
| 0000 -> 0015 | 0000 -> 0015 | 55.81 | 1.00 | 11477 |
| [Full report on 1600 lanes] | | | | |
| ===== | | | | |
| TOTAL | | 840.22 | 100.00 | 1141418 |
| Avg | | 4.47 | 0.00 | 11418 |

APS HTML REPORT



Report examples (press the links to play): [MPI Bound](#), [Memory Bound](#), [OpenMP imbalance](#)

APS HTML REPORT BREAKDOWN - OVERVIEW

- Overview shows all areas and relative impact on code performance
- Provides recommendation for next step in performance analysis
- “X” collapses the summary, removing the flags (objective numbers only)

Your application is MPI bound.

This may be caused by high busy wait time inside the library (imbalance), non-optimal communication schema or MPI library settings. Use [MPI profiling tools](#) like [Intel® Trace Analyzer and Collector](#) to explore performance bottlenecks.

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| <u>OpenMP Imbalance</u> | 0.59% | < 10% | |
| <u>Memory Stalls</u> | 4.48% | < 20% | |
| <u>FPU Utilization</u> | 0.10% | > 50% | |
| <u>I/O Bound</u> | 0.00% | < 10% | |

APS HTML REPORT BREAKDOWN – PARALLEL RUNTIMES

- MPI Time
 - How much time was spent in MPI calls
 - Averaged by ranks with % of Elapsed time
 - Available for MPICH-based MPIs
- MPI Imbalance
 - Unproductive time spent in MPI library waiting for data
 - Available for Intel MPI
- OpenMP Imbalance
 - Time spent at OpenMP Synchronization Barriers normalized by number of threads
 - Available for Intel OpenMP
- Serial time
 - Time spend outside OpenMP regions
 - Available for Intel OpenMP, shared memory applications only

MPI Time

1.33s
10.75% of Elapsed Time

MPI Imbalance

1.13s
9.19% of Elapsed Time

TOP 5 MPI Functions %

| | |
|---------|-------|
| Waitall | 10.24 |
| Irecv | 0.18 |
| Isend | 0.06 |
| Barrier | 0.03 |
| Reduce | 0.02 |

OpenMP Imbalance

3.44s
42.25% of Elapsed Time

Serial Time

4.45s
31.11% of Elapsed Time

APS HTML REPORT BREAKDOWN – MEMORY ACCESS

- Memory stalls measurement with breakdown by cache and DRAM
- Average DRAM Bandwidth*
- NUMA ratio
- KNL:
 - back-end stalls with L2-demand access efficiency
 - Average DRAM AND MCDRAM Bandwidth*

*Average DRAM and MCDRAM bandwidth collection is available with Intel driver or perf system wide monitoring enabled on a system



Memory Stalls

55.40% of pipeline slots

Cache Stalls

61.10% of cycles

DRAM Stalls

9.60% of cycles

Average DRAM Bandwidth

85.47 GB/s

NUMA

0.70% of remote accesses



Back-End Stalls

95.60% of pipeline slots

L2 Hit Bound

0.70% of cycles

L2 Miss Bound

3.50% of cycles

Average DRAM Bandwidth

90.30 GB/s

Average MCDRAM Bandwidth

0.01 GB/s

APS HTML REPORT BREAKDOWN – VECTORIZATION

- FPU Utilization based on HW-event statistics with
 - Breakdown by vector/scalar instructions
 - Floating point vs memory instruction ratio
- KNL: SIMD Instr. per Cycle
 - Scalar vs. vectorized instructions



FPU Utilization

0.80%↑

SP FLOPs per Cycle

0.24 Out of 32.00

Vector Capacity Usage

49.90%↑

FP Instruction Mix

% of Packed FP Instr.: 99.70%

% of 128-bit: 99.70%↑

% of 256-bit: 0.00%

% of Scalar FP Instr.: 0.30%

FP Arith/Mem Rd Instr. Ratio

0.41↑

FP Arith/Mem Wr Instr. Ratio

1.71

SIMD Instr. per Cycle

0.08↑

FP Instruction Mix

% of Packed SIMD Instr.:

67.60%

% of Scalar SIMD Instr.:

32.40%↑



APS COMMAND LINE REPORTS - SUMMARY

```
Summary information
-----
Application           : heart_demo_pause
Report creation date  : 2018-05-23 17:10:46
Number of ranks      : 22
Ranks per node       : 22
OpenMP threads number per rank: 4
HW Platform          : Intel(R) Xeon(R) Processor code named Broadwell
Logical core count per node : 88
Collector type       : Driverless Perf system-wide counting
Used statistics      : /sdb1/builds/dprohoro/apps/Cardiac/Cardiac/build/

Your application has significant OpenMP imbalance.
Use OpenMP profiling tools like Intel(R) VTune(TM) Amplifier to see the imbalance

Elapsed time: 28.87 sec
SP GFLOPS: 42.89
CPI Rate: 2.21
The CPI value may be too high.
This could be caused by such issues as memory stalls, instruction starvation,
branch misprediction, or long latency instructions.
Use Intel(R) VTune(TM) Amplifier General Exploration analysis to specify
particular reasons of high CPI.
MPI time: 3.10 sec 10.75%
Your application is MPI bound. This may be caused by high busy wait time
inside the library (imbalance), non-optimal communication schema or MPI
library settings. Explore the MPI Imbalance metric if it is available or use
MPI profiling tools like Intel(R) Trace Analyzer and Collector to explore
possible performance bottlenecks.
MPI Imbalance: 1.43 sec 4.94%
Top 5 MPI functions (avg time):
Waitall 1.75 sec ( 6.06 %)
Barrier 1.20 sec ( 4.15 %)
Isend 0.06 sec ( 0.21 %)
Init 0.06 sec ( 0.20 %)
Irecv 0.02 sec ( 0.08 %)
OpenMP Imbalance: 6.63 sec 22.98%
The metric value can indicate significant time spent by threads waiting at
barriers. Consider using dynamic work scheduling to reduce the imbalance where
possible. Use Intel(R) VTune(TM) Amplifier HPC Performance Characterization
analysis to review imbalance data distributed by barriers of different lexical
regions.
Memory Stalls: 2.80% of pipeline slots
Cache Stalls: 16.00% of cycles
DRAM Stalls: 0.00% of cycles
NUMA: % of Remote Accesses: 59.00%
A significant amount of DRAM loads was serviced from remote DRAM. Wherever
possible, consistently use data on the same core, or at least the same
package, as it was allocated on.
Average DRAM Bandwidth: 0.22 GB/s
FPU utilization: 0.60%
The metric value indicates that the FPU might be underutilized. This can be a
result of significant fraction of non-floating point instructions, inefficient
vectorization because of legacy vector instruction set or memory access
pattern issues, or different kinds of stalls in the code execution. Explore
second level metrics to identify the next steps in FPU usage improvements.
SP FLOPS per cycle: 0.19 Out of 32
Vector capacity: 25.50%
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Logical core count per node : 88
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Used statistics      : aps_result_20180523
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FP Arith/Mem Rd Instr. Ratio: 0.62
FP Arith/Mem Wr Instr. Ratio: 3.51
Disk I/O Bound: 0.00 sec ( 0.00 %)
Data read: 5.3 MB
Data written: 13.1 MB
Memory Footprint:
Resident:
Per node:
Peak resident set size : 1372.98 MB (node 10.125.99.54)
Average resident set size : 1372.98 MB
Per rank:
Peak resident set size : 149.25 MB (rank 0)
Average resident set size : 62.41 MB
Virtual:
Per node:
Peak memory consumption : 12182.91 MB (node 10.125.99.54)
Average memory consumption : 12182.91 MB
Per rank:
Peak memory consumption : 593.81 MB (rank 1)
Average memory consumption : 553.77 MB
```

Tip:

>aps -report=<my_result_dir> | grep -v "|"
eliminating verbose descriptions

APS COMMAND LINE REPORTS – ADVANCED MPI STATISTICS

aps-report [keys] [options] <result>

[keys] – what to show

- functions
- mpi_time_per_rank
- collop_time_per_rank
- message_sizes
- transfers_per_communication
- transfers_per_rank
- node_to_node
- transfers_per_function
- communicators_list

[options] – how to show

- rank
- comm_id
- details
- communicators
- volume_threshold
- time_threshold
- number_of_lines
- no_filters
- communicators_list
- format

See descriptions
with
>aps-report
command

APS COMMAND LINE REPORTS – ADVANCED MPI STATISTICS (1/3)

REPORT EXAMPLES

- MPI Time per rank
 - `aps-report --mpi_time_per_rank <result>`

| MPI Time per Rank | | | | | |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| Rank | LifeTime(sec) | MPI Time(sec) | MPI Time(%) | Imbalance(sec) | Imbalance(%) |
| 0007 | 72.52 | 14.31 | 19.74 | 4.84 | 6.67 |
| 0004 | 72.53 | 11.57 | 15.96 | 3.26 | 4.50 |
| 0005 | 72.52 | 11.40 | 15.72 | 3.20 | 4.42 |
| 0006 | 72.51 | 11.11 | 15.32 | 3.17 | 4.37 |
| 0000 | 72.49 | 11.08 | 15.29 | 4.33 | 5.97 |
| 0001 | 72.52 | 10.95 | 15.10 | 3.01 | 4.15 |
| 0002 | 72.49 | 10.79 | 14.88 | 2.57 | 3.55 |
| 0003 | 72.50 | 10.64 | 14.68 | 2.50 | 3.45 |
| ===== | | | | | |
| TOTAL | 580.07 | 91.86 | 15.84 | 26.88 | 4.63 |
| AVG | 72.51 | 11.48 | 15.84 | 3.36 | 4.63 |

APS COMMAND LINE REPORTS – ADVANCED MPI STATISTICS (2/3)

- Message Size Summary by all ranks
 - `aps-report --message_sizes <result>`

```
| Message Sizes summary for all ranks
|-----|
| Message size(B)      Volume (MB)      Volume (%)      Transfers      Time (sec)      Time (%)
|-----|
|           8           1.49           0.09          195206          27.79           37.93
|          176           0.41           0.02           2420           27.67           37.78
|           4           0.00           0.00           1150           15.55           21.22
|         100264         115.89           6.94           1212            0.27            0.37
|         98400         113.74           6.81           1212            0.19            0.26
|         66256         38.29           2.29            606            0.17            0.23
| [filtered out 57 lines]
|=====|
| TOTAL                1670.60          100.00          265160          73.25          100.00
|
```

APS COMMAND LINE REPORTS – ADVANCED MPI STATISTICS (3/3)

- Data Transfers for Rank-to-Rank Communication
 - `aps-report --transfers_per_communication <result>`

| Rank --> Rank | Volume (MB) | Volume (%) | Transfers |
|---------------------------|-------------|------------|-----------|
| 0023 --> 0024 | 84.35 | 1.56 | 13477 |
| 0025 --> 0026 | 84.35 | 1.56 | 13477 |
| 0024 --> 0025 | 84.15 | 1.56 | 13477 |
| 0021 --> 0022 | 83.84 | 1.55 | 13477 |
| 0022 --> 0023 | 83.43 | 1.54 | 13477 |
| [filtered out 16 lines] | | | |
| 0012 --> 0011 | 69.60 | 1.29 | 13477 |
| 0020 --> 0019 | 69.29 | 1.28 | 13477 |
| 0026 --> 0025 | 68.78 | 1.27 | 13477 |
| 0025 --> 0024 | 68.38 | 1.27 | 13477 |
| 0022 --> 0021 | 68.38 | 1.27 | 13477 |
| [filtered out 17 lines] | | | |
| 0016 --> 0015 | 58.81 | 1.09 | 13477 |
| 0028 --> 0027 | 57.69 | 1.07 | 13477 |
| 0007 --> 0008 | 56.98 | 1.05 | 13477 |
| 0030 --> 0031 | 54.74 | 1.01 | 13477 |
| 0006 --> 0007 | 54.44 | 1.01 | 13477 |
| [filtered out 1108 lines] | | | |
| ===== | | | |
| TOTAL | 5403.22 | 100.00 | 1415619 |
| AVG | 4.67 | 0.09 | 1224 |

- To measure a particular application phase or exclude initialization/finalization phases use:

MPI:

- Pause: `MPI_Pcontrol(0)`
- Resume: `MPI_Pcontrol(1)`

MPI or Shared memory applications:

- Pause: `__itt_pause()`
- Resume: `__itt_resume()`
 - See [how to configure](#) the build of your application to use itt API

Tip: use `aps -start-paused` option allows to start application without profiling and skip initialization phase

SUMMARY

Intel® VTune™ Amplifier's Application Performance Snapshot is:

- Your entry point for HPC application performance analysis
- A part of Parallel Studio XE or easy to install and [free standalone package](#)
- Simple and well-structured command line and HTML reports
- Clear next steps for tuning with connection to detailed performance tools
- Tool-of-choice of MPI efficiency analysis at scale

BACK-UP

Application Performance Snapshot

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HW Platform: Intel(R) Xeon(R) Processor code named Broadwell-EP
Logical Core Count per node: 72
Collector type: Event-based counting driver

129.57s

Elapsed Time

47.21

SP.FLOPS

1.23

CPI
(MAX 1.24, MIN 1.21)

MPI Time

67.50s
52.09% of Elapsed Time
MPI Imbalance
0.84s
0.65% of Elapsed Time

| TOP 5 MPI Functions | % |
|---------------------|-------|
| Waitall | 31.90 |
| Isend | 8.32 |
| Barrier | 5.77 |
| Irecv | 5.74 |
| Scatterv | 0.00 |

I/O Bound

0.00%
(AVG 0.01, PEAK 0.01)

OpenMP Imbalance

0.76s
0.59% of Elapsed Time

Memory Footprint

| | Resident | PEAK | AVG |
|-----------|------------|------------|-----|
| Per node: | 862.29 MB | 764.01 MB | |
| Per rank: | 132.03 MB | 44.94 MB | |
| | Virtual | PEAK | AVG |
| Per node: | 9635.81 MB | 9527.22 MB | |
| Per rank: | 672.23 MB | 560.42 MB | |

Memory Stalls

4.48% of pipeline slots

Cache Stalls
22.87% of cycles

DRAM Stalls
0.30% of cycles

Average DRAM Bandwidth
1.72 GB/s

NUMA
35.56% of remote accesses

FPU Utilization

0.10%

SP.FLOPs per Cycle
0.04 Out of 32.00

Vector Capacity Usage
25.81%

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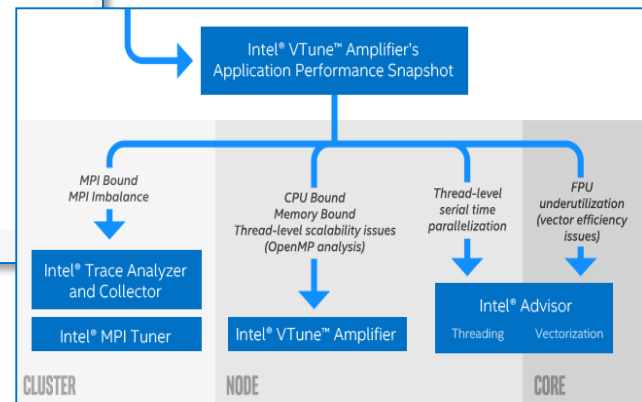
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FP Arith/Mem.Wr.Instr.Ratio
0.32

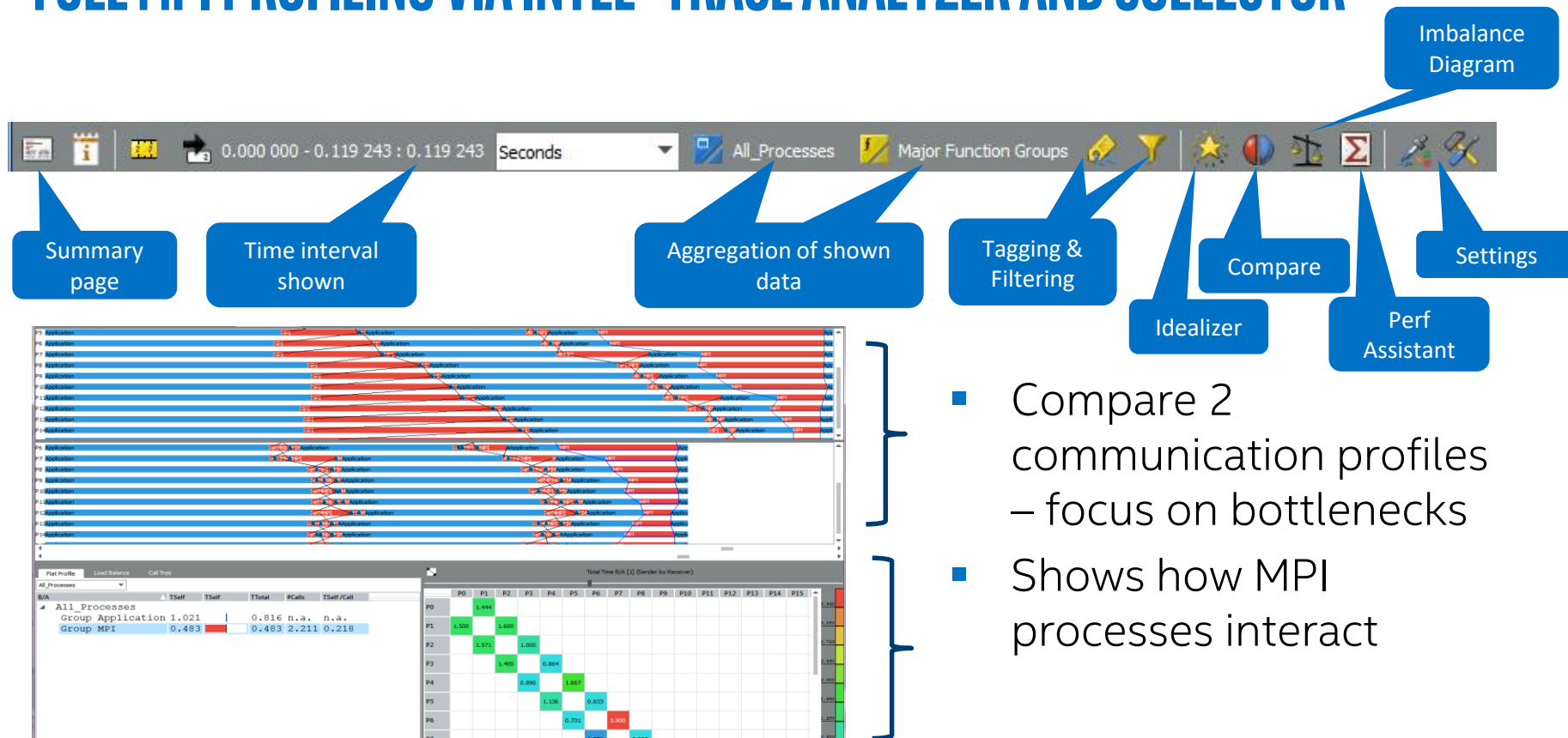
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FULL MPI PROFILING VIA INTEL® TRACE ANALYZER AND COLLECTOR



IMPROVE PERFORMANCE OF MPI + OPENMP APPLICATIONS

ENHANCED MPI METRICS FOR HPC APPLICATION ANALYSIS

Threading: CPU Utilization

- Serial vs. Parallel time
- Top OpenMP regions by potential gain
- Tip: Use hotspot OpenMP region analysis for more detail

Memory Access Efficiency

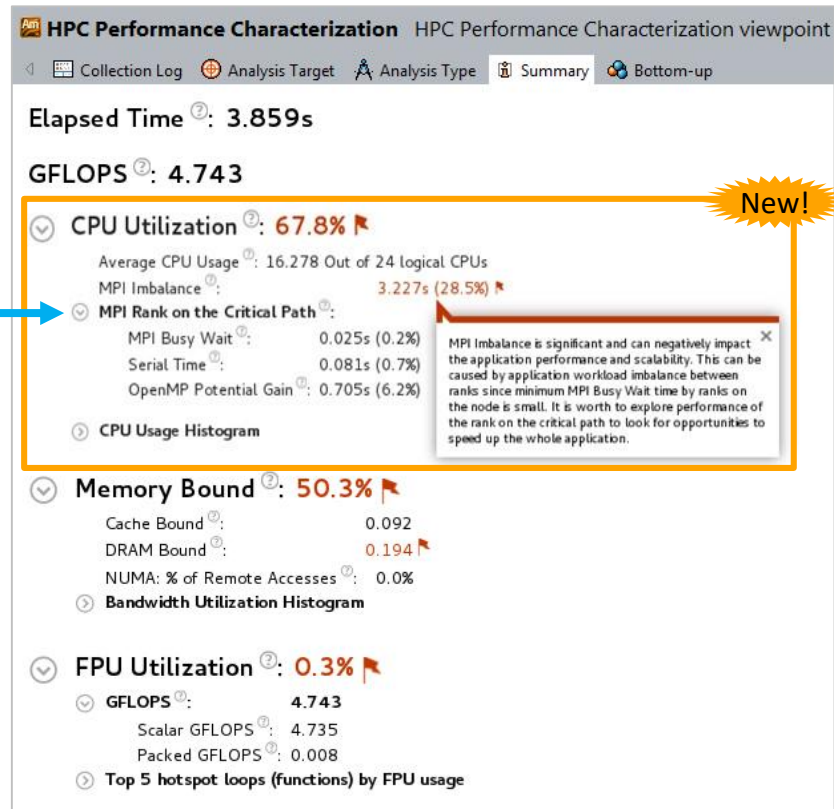
- Stalls by memory hierarchy
- Bandwidth utilization
- Tip: Use Memory Access analysis

Vectorization: FPU Utilization

- FLOPS[†] estimates from sampling
- Tip: Use Intel Advisor for precise metrics and vectorization optimization

MPI Imbalance Metric

- Metric for performance of rank on critical path
- Computational bottlenecks and outlier rank behavior now available in VTune Amplifier
- For communication pattern problems between ranks use Intel® Trace Analyzer and Collector (ITAC)



[†] For 3rd, 5th, 6th Generation Intel® Core™ processors and second generation Intel® Xeon Phi™ processor code named Knights Landing.

Find Effective Optimization Strategies

Intel Advisor: Cache-aware roofline analysis

Roofs Show Platform Limits

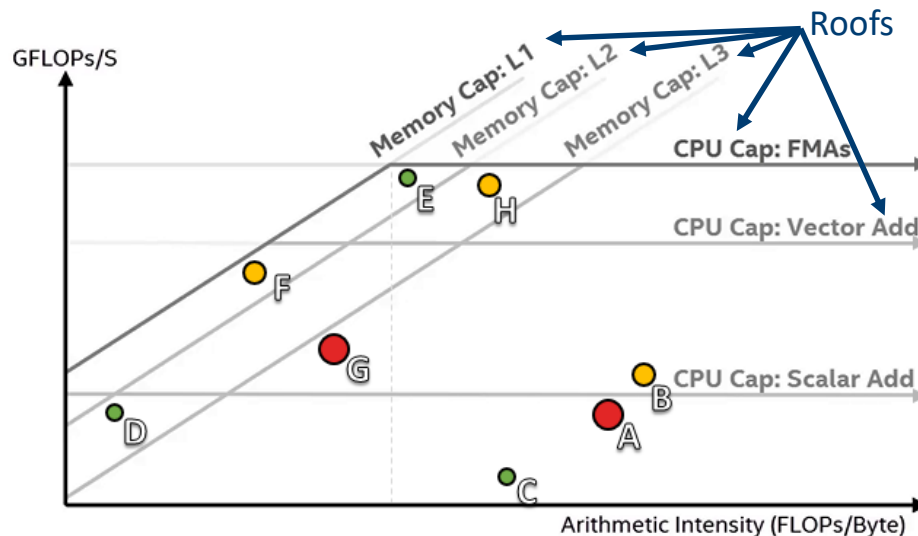
- Memory, cache & compute limits

Dots Are Loops

- Bigger, red dots take more time so optimization has a bigger impact
- Dots farther from a roof have more room for improvement

Higher Dot = Higher GFLOPs/sec

- Optimization moves dots up
- Algorithmic changes move dots horizontally



Which loops should we optimize?

- A and G are the best candidates
- B has room to improve, but will have less impact
- E, C, D, and H are poor candidates

[Roofline tutorial video](#)

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